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In re Patent Application of:
Shizuo Manabe

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For: **OPTIMUM CHARACTER STRING PLACING
PROGRAM**

Examiner: J. C. Wang

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated January 11, 2010, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.